



bi. kl's ant gabriel.

x. c kl's ant cecilon.

d kl's ant lucas

xviii. c kl's ant lucemast

vi. f kl's ant caprasin

g kl's es. xi. nulle uierge

iiii. **A** kl's ant malou. d

iii. b kl's ant graaci

c kl's ant maglour

xi. d kl's ant aespri

xix. e kl's ant amant

f kl' Vigille

viii. g kl's ant symo. & iude

**A** kl's ant natis

xvi. b kl's ant lucan

v. c kl' Vigille





Octembre. xxxi. iō

xvi **R**'s ant remy  
v **b**'s ant ligier  
iiii **c**'s ant victor. d  
iii **d**'s ant francors  
ii **e**'s ante xpine  
x **f**'s ante foy  
xii **g**'s ant mar  
xviii **h**'s ant demetre  
vi **i**'s ant denis  
c **j**'s ant geron  
xv **d**'s ant madure  
iiii **e**'s ant uenanc  
f **j**'s ant arien  
xii **g**'s ant calixt  
i **k**'s ant offran

### **MEDIEVAL CALENDAR LEAF FOR OCTOBER, c. 1420-40**

**IM-10456:** (197 x 138mm) Original leaf from a medieval manuscript *Book of Hours*. Ruled in red for 17 lines of **French** text. Written in **blue, red or gold ink** on animal vellum. Large **illuminated two-line "KL" initials** (for KALENDS) in blue and red on a **burnished gold ground** with floral interior in blue, red and orange. **Five illuminated one-line initials in burnished gold** on a ground of blue and red with delicate white tracery. **Elegant rinceaux panel border** in a delicate floral motif with ivy leaves in red, blue, green, orange and burnished gold.

**Northern France (Paris), c. 1420-40.**

Among the feasts listed are **St. Francis of Assisi** (4th - patron saint of animals), **St. Denis** (9th - patron saint of Paris), **St. Gabriel** (16th), **St. Luke** (18th - patron saint of doctors and sculptors), and **St. Simon** (28th - patron saint of curriers and tanners).

Left of the saints' days are repeating letters *A - G* called **Dominical Letters** since they help find Sundays. Far left is a column of Roman numerals *i - xix* called **Golden Numbers** to indicate appearances of new moons, & counting ahead 14 days, full moons throughout the year (year + 1; divide by 19; remainder is Golden Number - if zero GN = 19). Finally: each month had 3 fixed points: Kalends (1<sup>st</sup> day) Ides (middle) & Nones (9<sup>th</sup> day before Ides). All days in between were counted **backwards** from these points.